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SUBJECT: CENTO SECRETARY GENERAL'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON

1. CENTO SECRETARY GENERAL BAYULKEN'S ANNUAL VISIT TO WASHINGTON (FEBRUARY 29 - MARCH 6) WENT VERY WELL. BAYULKEN WAS PLEASED WITH BOTH THE SUBSTANTIVE ASPECTS OF THE VISIT AND THE SMOOTH HANDLING OF HIS ITINERARY AND SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS. AFTER HOSTING A LUNCH IN BAYULKEN'S HONOR MARCH 4, THE SECRETARY MET PRIVATELY WITH HIM FOR A DISCUSSION OF ISSUES WHICH BAYULKEN SAID HE WISHED TO RAISE ON BEHALF OF THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT.

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2. BAYULKEN DURING THE COURSE OF HIS VISIT ALSO MET WITH

UNDER SECRETARY SISCO, AID DIRECTOR PARKER, ASSISTANT SECRETARY (EUR) HARTMAN AND DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY (NEA) SOBER. THE CENTO SECRETARY GENERAL SPENT MARCH 3 ON CAPITOL HILL, WHERE HE MET WITH SENATORS JAVITS AND HUMPHREY AND WITH DR. BRADY, A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE STAFF. DURING HIS MARCH 2 CALLS AT THE PENTAGON, BAYULKEN WAS RECEIVED BY DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE CLEMENTS, ASSISTANT TO THE CJCS LTGEN SMITH, AND ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (ISA) JORDAN.

3. BAYULKEN USED THE OCCASION OF HIS VISIT TO DISCUSS US-TURKISH RELATIONS (SEPTEL) AND CENTO MATTERS. BAYULKEN SPOKE OF THE NEED FOR A MORE FORTHCOMING US ATTITUDE TOWARDS REVISION OF CENTO'S POLITICAL GUIDANCE PAPER TO SATISFY PAKISTAN'S CONCERNS. HE EXPRESSED HIS HOPE THAT SOMETHING CAN BE WORKED OUT ON THE POLITICAL GUIDANCE PAPER TO THE SATISFACTION OF ALL PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES BEFORE THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL MEETING IN LONDON MAY 26-27. IF THAT PROVES IMPOSSIBLE, BAYULKEN INTENDS TO SEEK MINISTERIAL COUNCIL APPROVAL OF A "STATEMENT" OR "COMMUNIQUE" THAT WOULD UNDERSCORE CENTO'S SUPPORT FOR THE SECURITY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE ALLIANCE STATES.

4. ON THE ECONOMIC FRONT, BAYULKEN PRESSED FOR US AGREEMENT TO FUND THE UPGRADING OF PAKISTAN'S PORTION OF THE CENTO MICROWAVE SYSTEM. BAYULKEN SAID THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE COST INVOLVED, (BASED ON A RECENTLY COMPLETED PAKISTANI REPORT), WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY DOLLARS 2.1 MILLION (INCLUDING THE DOLLARS 500,000 ALREADY COMMITTED BY THE US). THE CENTO SECRETARY GENERAL ALSO EXPRESSED HIS FULL SUPPORT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF US AND UK-FUNDED POSITIONS IN THE CENTO SECRETARIAT FOR ONE AGRICULTURAL AND ONE SCIENTIFIC EXPERT. BAYULKEN EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT AGREEMENT ON THESE EXPERTS CAN BE REACHED AT THE MARCH 16-18 CENTO ECONOMIC COMMITTEE MEETING IN WASHINGTON.

5. BAYULKEN OUTLINED HIS PLANS FOR STREAMLINING CENTO'S BUDGETING PROCESS, AND SAID HE ALSO WOULD BE SUBMITTING HIS VIEWS IN DETAIL ON CENTO SECRETARIAT REORGANIZATION. CONFIDENTIAL

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US OFFICIALS STRESSED OUR CONTINUING SUPPORT FOR CENTO AND OUR WISH TO BE AS FORTHCOMING AS POSSIBLE TO THE VARIOUS PROPOSALS AND ISSUES RAISED BY BAYULKEN. MEMCONS GIVING A MORE DETAILED ACCOUNT OF ADDITIONAL POINTS AND ISSUES RAISED AT BAYULKEN'S MEETINGS WITH VARIOUS US OFFICIALS ARE BEING POUCHED TO ADDRESSEE POSTS.

6. BAYULKEN, ACCOMPANIED BY CENTO SECRETARIAT SPECIAL

ASSISTANT RICHARD COX, DEPARTED WASHINGTON FOR NEW YORK  
MARCH 6 FOR A SCHEDULED MEETING WITH UN SECRETARY GENERAL  
WALDHEIM. KISSINGER

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